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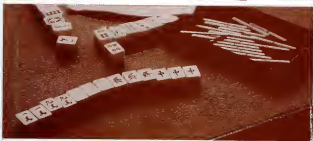
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第1話 CHAPTER 1

天馬 vs. 吉井

TENMA VS. YOSHII



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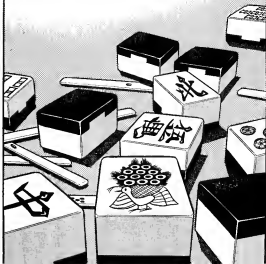
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EVERYTHING IS WAITING FOR YOU
THERE, ON THE OTHER SIDE.

YOUR DEEPEST DESIRES AND
FAR-OFF HOPES, BUT
ALSO SOME FRUSTRATION...

TO MAKE IT ACROSS, YOU
WILL NEED TRUE STRENGTH
AND COURAGE.





TRUTH BE
TOLD, I'M
STILL JUST
A KID, IN MY
SECOND YEAR
OF MIDDLE
SCHOOL...



THE
NAME'S
AKAI
TENMA.



I JUST
CAN'T
STOP
PLAYING!



TO TELL YOU
THE HONEST
TRUTH, I DON'T
REALLY KNOW,
MYSELF...

BUT
THERE'S
ONE THING
I KNOW
FOR SURE



I COME AND
PLAY HERE
EVERY DAY
WHEN SCHOOL
GETS OUT

I'M PRETTY
FAMOUS
AROUND
HERE, FOR
THAT.



I GET
YOU'RE
WONDERING
HOW I CAME
TO LIKE IT
SO MUCH,
HUP

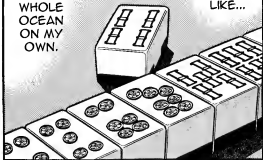


BUT THE
CRAZY
THING
IS...

I JUST
LOVE
THE
GAME
OF MAH-
JONG!

...I'M
SWIMMING
ACROSS
THE
WHOLE
OCEAN
ON MY
OWN.

TO PUT
IT INTO
WORDS,
IT SORTA
FEELS
LIKE...



LIVING
DAY TO
DAY
WITH
FEELINGS

I'M
FIGHTING
WITH MY
OWN
POWER



...LIKE
NO ONE
CAN
STOP
ME!

IT FEELS
SO WILD
AND FREE



...THAT
FILL MY
CHEST
UP WITH
PRIDE!





ALL BECAUSE
OF MY LOVE
FOR THE GAME
OF MAHJONG!

HIS
NAME'S
TENMA.

SURE
IS.

HEY, OWNED,
THAT KID'S
AMAZING.

...AND WHEN
THERE'S NO ONE
TO PLAY WITH,
HE HELPS ME
AROUND THE
SHOP.

HE'S STILL
JUST A
MIDDLE
SCHOOL
STUDENT
...

HE'S THE
KIND OF GUY
WHO WON'T
RELY ON ANY-
ONE BUT
HIMSELF,
AND YET...

THERE ISN'T
A SOUL AROUND
WHO DOESN'T
KNOW ABOUT
THAT MAHJONG
PRODIGY!

...WHEN
IT COMES
TO MAHJONG,
HE'S JUST
UNBEATABLE!

















UGH...



HE'S TENNA... HE MAY JUST BE A MIDDLE SCHOOL KID, BUT HE'S LIKE SOME KINDA DEMON AT AKAJONG!

THIS AIN'T GOOD... THAT KID...

YOU SEE-
HOUS?



WHAT?

HEY...



HEY, YOU!



HOW MANY TIMES DO WE HAVE TO BEAT YOU PUNKS, HUH? GET LOST!

NO WAY, YOU LITTLE CREEPS!



WHAT KINDA CHICKEN RUNS AWAY FROM A MIDDLE SCHOOLER, HUH?



THAT'S ENOUGH



WHAT'D YOU SAY?









THE
CHILDREN
OF THE
KANTO
STUDENT
BODY...

YOSHIE
KENJI

JUST
LIKE I
THOUGHT



WE'RE
DONE
FOR!!

NO
WAYYYY
!!!



...AND THE
DOT GALLERIES
I OWN THAT ARE
PLACED ALL OVER
TOWN.

ABOUT
MY LARGE
AMOUNTS OF
MONEY

LOOKS
LIKE HE
KNOWS
WHO I AM

THIS WON'T
EXACTLY
WHAT I
WOULD
HAPPEN

HAH--
HAH--



T SUMO!

HOWEVER
IN THE
EAST
FIRST
ROUND



HE'LL BE
TOO
NERVOUS
AND
AGITATED

WITH ALL OF
THAT TO THINK
ABOUT, HE'LL
BE UNDER TOO
MUCH PRESSURE
TO PLAY A
VERY CALM
GAME OF
MAJONG

...OFF HIS
GAME,
STRAIGHT
FROM THE
OUTSET!



HEY, THIS IS PRETTY COOL!



HE ISN'T INTIMIDATED IN THE LEAST ...!!

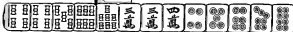
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IT'S
POSSIBLY
THE
TORTURE.

THOSE
PEOPLE
DO A pretty
good job
of not
showing red
hands and
feet.



PLUS, IF HE HAS ONE, WITH THIS 3-MAN, I'LL BE IN A 3-SIDED MOUNT.







AND
THEN IN
THE
SOUTH
THIRD
ROUND



HE
WAS
WATCHED
IN THE
SOUTH
SECOND
ROUND

AFTER THIS
WIN, FOSBERG
FOLLOWED
UP BY SCORING
ON A VIBRANT
PITCHER



TSUMO!
6000/
3000!



IT SEEMS LIKE
THIS COLLEGE KID
IS ALWAYS
ONE STEP
AHEAD OF HIM



TENMA'S BEEN
PLAYING A VERY
GOOD GAME,
SO FAR, BUT...



HA HA
HA HA



YOSHII
ALL BUT
SETTLES
IT WITH
A CHIN
ITSU
TSUMO!

MAN,
OH,
MAN



THE
REAL
BATTLE
STARTS
NOW!



IT'S
FINE,
DON'T
WORRY!

tenma-
kumaan



IT'S
REALLY
HOPES-
LESS,
NOW



TENMA'S
STARTING HAND

TENMA
HAS TO
MAKE UP THE
DIFFERENCE OF
31,000 POINTS IN
JUST THIS
SINGLE
ROUND!

SO
THIS IS
WHAT I'VE
GOT TO
WORK
WITH.

...AND THIS
PART INTO
SETS OF
THREE!

I'VE
GOTTA TURN
THIS PART...

IF I WANT TO MAKE UP
THE DIFFERENCE OF
31,000 POINTS, I'VE
GOT NO CHOICE BUT
TO TAKE THIS HAND
TO A SUB-ARROU!

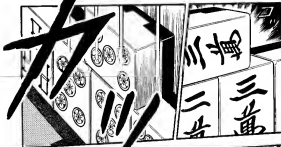
3RD
TURN

2ND
TURN

SUB-ARROU REFERS TO A HAND
WHERE THERE ARE FOUR SETS OF
"ARROU" CHINESE THREE FLEA, CON-
SISTED IN ONE'S HAND, AMONG ALL
THE HANDS IN PLAYING, ITS VALUE IS
AMONG THE HIGHEST IN YAKUHAN
GAMES.



AND
THEN,
THE
6TH
TURN
...



THE
9TH
TURN
...



TENKA IS IN
"I CHAN TEN" FOR SUU-ANNO!



THE
STATE
ONE
TLE
AWAY
FROM
PEACH-
ING
TENPA

HE REALLY
MANAGED TO
GET IT, RIGHT
AT THE END
!!

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THIS
TENKA
SUY!

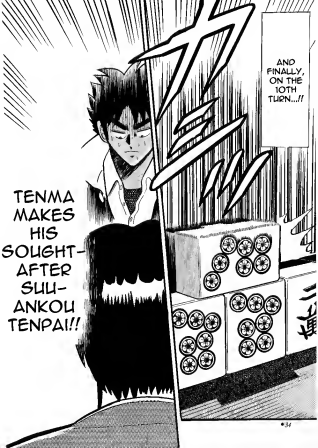


KH
...!!



CAN
HE
REALLY
...

NOW
HE'S
GOT
THE
FLOW
OF
THE
DRAGS
...

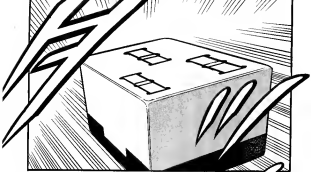


TENMA
MAKES
HIS
SOUGHT-
AFTER
SUU-
ANKOU
TENPAI!!

AND
FINALLY,
ON THE
10TH
TURN...!!







THE COURAGE
TO MOVE
FORWARD...

THE DEALING
DERIVED FROM
TENMA'S
BOTTOMLESS
MAHJONG
INSTINCT!

THIS IS
NOW THE
REALM OF
COURAGE!



IT LOOKS
LIKE HE'S
GOING TO
KEEP
PERSISTING
ME.

I THOUGHT
I HAD HIM
THERE,
BUT...

TON



I'LL JUST
HAVE TO
WAIT ON
THAT VERY
SAME
3-MAN

WELL,
THEN.



HE HAS A
PAIR OF
3-MAN,
THERE



3-
MAN

YOSHII CHANGES HIS TENPAI TO THIS
CHUN/3 AND 6-MAN WAIT

CALLS





...THAT
WILL BE
THE
DEATH
OF YOU!



BUT
WHEN YOU
DO DECIDE
TO GET
RID OF
ONE

THOSE
EXCESS
3-MAN
SHOULD
BE TRYING
TO DEAL
WITH



WELL, I
COULDN'T
EXPECT A
MIDDLE
SCHOOLER
SUCH AS YOU
TO CONSIDER
THAT POS-
SIBILITY.

CAN YOU
EVEN BEGIN
TO FATHOM
IT?

DO YOU
COMPREHEND
HOW IT IS
THAT I KNOW
YOU ARE
HOLDING
THOSE 3-MAN
TILES...?



YOU ALL
BUT LET
ME TAKE
ADVANTAGE
OF YOU!

IN SHORT,
YOU ARE
SIMPLY
NAIVE!



IT CERTAINLY
CAME IN HANDY
WHEN I CHOSE
TO TAKE THE 3-MAN
WAIT WITH MY
ONE-TENTSU BACK
IN THE SOUTH
FIRST ROUND.

WELL, IF I
HAD TO, IT WOULDN'T
BE EXTREMELY HARD
TO EXPLAIN... AT THE
END OF THE EAST SET,
I MERELY MARKED THE
FOUR 3-MAN TILES I
HAD WITH THE EDGE
OF A COIN.



THERE'S ANOTHER
3-WAY IN THE
BARRIUM SPOT,
OVER THERE!

LOCATION AT THE END OF THE WALL, THERE IS A BIG COLLECTION OF TILES THAT IS CALLED THE "DEAD WALL". THE TILE
ON THE FAR END OF THE TOP ROW IS THE "GOLDEN" TILE. IT CAN ONLY BE MOVED WHEN A "TILE", OR SET OF FOUR
SIMILAR TILES, IS RACE.



BUT
JUST
THEN



IT IS CUR-
RENTLY AT
THE VERY
END OF THE
WALL, OVER
THERE



AND AS
FOR THE
OTHER
ONE...



YOSHII REALIZED
THAT THERE WAS
A WAY!



SUU-
ANKOU

...

IF HE WANTED
TO OVERTAKE
ME, OF COURSE
HE'D BE ASKING
FOR A YAKU-
RIAN HANDY

I SHOULD
HAVE AT
LEAST
PLANNED FOR
SUCH A ROAD
TO VICTORY..!

WHAT
AN OVER-
SIGHT!

TENMA'S
19TH
TURN...!

TENMA
IS ONCE
AGAIN
IN TENPAI
FOR
SUU-
ANKOU!



HE REALLY DID
INTIGRATE HIS
3-HAN TILES
INTO HIS HAND

HE GOT
INTO THAT
SHAPE
WITHOUT
HAVING TO
REACH FOR
ANYTHING!

HE
GOT
BACK
TO
TENMA!

DAMMIT...







BUT THERE'S
STILL 5 TURNS
LEFT UNTIL
HE GETS
THAT DRAW
— I HAVE
TIME!



HE SAW RIGHT
THROUGH ME...
HE KNOWS THE
3-MAN TILES
ARE ALL
MARKED!

THAT
LITTLE
BRAT...



I WON'T
ALLOW MYSELF
TO BE MADE
A FOOL OF
BY THIS
JUVENILE!



BEFORE
HE GETS
THESE,
I NEED TO
EITHER
WIN...

BUT
I HAVE
TO MAN-
UP...

...OR MAKE
A CALL TO
DISRUPT
THE ORDER
OF DRAWS!



EVEN
IF IT'S
TO WIN

YOU
PLAY
DUTY!

YOSHIE
KENJI



I WON'T
LET SCUM
LIKE YOU
GET THE
BETTER OF
ME!



I'LL DRAW
THAT 3-MAN
AT THE END
OF THE WALL,
RIGHT THERE!



MACHING
TILES IS
LOWER
THAN LOW!

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HOWEVER,
THE TURN
BEFORE
TENMA
WAS TO
DRAW
THAT
TILE...



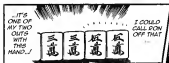


JUST BE GLAD
YOU MADE IT
ALL THE WAY
TO A SUB-
ANKOU
TERRAI
AGAINST A
PLAYER LIKE
ME!

HEH ...



I'VE
CUT OFF
ALL POS-
SIBILITIES
FOR A
CONTRACT
VICTORY!



...IT'S
ONE OF
MY TWO
OUTS
WITH
THIS
HAND...

I COULD
CALL RON
OFF THAT



IF I CALL THE
WIN FROM THAT,
I WON'T GET
A SUB-
ANKOU!

BUT ...





I'LL JUST
HAVE TO GAMB
ON HOW MANY LIRA-
DORA I HAVE!



I HAVE TO
MAKE A
COMEBACK,
SO I GUESS
I DON'T
HAVE ANY
OTHER
CHOICE.

I GUESS
WITH ENOUGH
LIRA-DORA
AFTERWARDS,
I COULD GET A
COUNTED
KACHMAN...

THE LIRA-DORA TOLD HIM A LIRA-DORA WAS A COIN, BUT NOT A
PAPER OF MONEY. HE HAD TWO LIRA-DORA IN HIS HAND, BUT HE
WAS A COUNTED KACHMAN, AND HE HAD TO BE A KACHMAN.



BUT

...





YOUR
DEFEAT
IS FOR
SURE,
NOW!

YOU'D
BETTER SAY
YOUR
PRAYERS...



I
DON'T
NEED
TO WIN
BY THAT
S-
MAN





IT'S
THE
3-MAN!



THAT'S
RIGHT.



URGH
...!!

WHAT
THE
HECK
?!



I
WILL
AC-
CEPT

...



...
THIS
TILE
YOU
HAVE
GIVEN
TO
ME!





T SUMO!

WHOOOOOOOOO
OOOOOOOAAAHH!!!

TEN-
MA-
AAA-
AA!!

SUU-
ANKOU!

THAT
MAKES
A COME-
BACK
WIN!!

I WAS DEFEATED... ME, THE
CHAMPION OF KANTOU
UNIVERSITY WAS DEFEATED
... BY A LITTLE KID!!

カッ

.....

IT'S AS THOUGH
HE KNEW FOR
CERTAIN THAT
HIS NEXT DRAW
WOULD BE THE
3-MAN...!!

BUT HOW DID HE
KNOW NOT TO CALL
RON WHEN THAT
5-MAN CAME
AROUND...?!



THERE WAS
STILL A CHANCE
I COULD WIN IF
I GOT ENOUGH
URA-DORA
TILES.

I WAS
SERIOUSLY
CONSIDERING
WINNING OFF
THAT 3-MAN
TILE.

BUT I
DIDN'T.

I DIDN'T,
BECAUSE I
TOOK A LOOK
OVER AT WHAT
MY NEXT
DRAW WAS
GONNA BE



THERE WAS
ANOTHER SIDE
TO YOUR HAVING
ALL OF THE 3-MAN
TILES.



HAHAH.



BACK WHEN YOU MARKED THE FOUR
3-MAN TILES THAT WERE IN YOUR
HAND, YOU WENT A BIT OVER WHERE
YOU NEEDED TO AND SCRATCHED
THE BACK OF THE 3-MAN A
LITTLE BIT, TOO!



...AND
THAT'S
WHERE I
SAW A
MARK!











Atsuize Tenma!

第2話 CHAPTER 2

天馬vs.本郷

TENMA VS. HONGOU









THE PRIVATE SCHOOL NEXT TO US BOUGHT HALF THE STREET, HERE, SO THAT SIDEWALK IS ONLY FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL KIDS.



SINCE WE'RE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS, WE NEED TO STAY AWAY, YEAH?

WELL, WE'RE NOT REALLY ALLOWED TO WALK ON IT ..



GOOD MORNING, TENNA!



...WHILE THE RICH PREPS AT THAT PRIVATE SCHOOL GET TO WALK ON A GUARDED SIDEWALK-ENFORCED SIDEWALK?!?



YOU MEAN WE HAVE TO WALK ON THIS NARROW LITTLE BOARD OVER THE BUTTER...



CAN'T WE GO ON THAT SIDEWALK OVER THERE...



THEY'VE FENCED THE CONSTRUCTION ON THIS STREET.













AND HIS
FRIENDS
OWN A
MAGAZINE
DIVISION
OF THE
SCHOOL!

AND MORE
THAN THAT,
HE'S TRYING
TO BE THE
STUDENT
PRESIDENT



I WISH
THAT WERE
HONOLULU
AUNTIE! YOU
WERE TALKING
TO!

IT REALLY WAS
POSSIBLE. NO
MATTER HOW
HAIRY YOU
SEEM...

HE'S THE
CITY'S BOOMING
CALENDAR! WHEN
IT COMES TO
PHYSICAL STRENGTH,
HE'S UNBEATABLE!



TENNA...

NOON, CLERK
LUNCH 60444











MAKE IT SO
ANYONE CAN
USE THAT
SIDEWALK IF
THEY WANT
TO!



BOATS LIKE THAT HAVE
NO MORE VALUE
DEAD THAN THEY DO
ALIVE.

THAT'S JUST
THE LEVEL OF
STUPIDITY I'VE
GONE TO EX-
PECT FROM THE
LEECHES OF
PUBLIC
EDUCATION.



THAT TINY
GUTTER WE'D
FORCED TO USE
IS WAY TOO
SMALL FOR
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL
KIDS!

THERE
WAS AN
ACCIDENT
TODAY!

HUSH



SOP ANY
OTHER
ARGUMENTS
YOU'D LIKE
REFUTED?



IF THERE ARE
MORE SUCH
ACCIDENTS
AMONG YOUR
CLASS, THE
WORLD WILL
BENEFIT FROM
IT.



YEAH,
THAT'S
THE WAY
IT IS!

MORE THAN THAT,
KEEPING THEM
ALIVE JUST LEADS
TO AN INCREASED
LEVEL OF CRIME
IN CITIES!





THREE
DAYS
LATER,
AT THE
HONGOU
ESTATE



THE
PRIVATE
MAH-
JONG
ROOM



IT'S
GOT
THREE
WHOLE
STORIES
...

WOW...
IT'S
HUGE
...





...WHEREAS
TENMA TRADED
BEHIND IN
NEEDLY 3RD
PLACE.

IN THE END,
HONGSOU
CAME OUT
WITH THE
MOST
POINTS IN
THE FIRST
SESSION...



THIS IS THE FIRST
TIME I'VE SEEN
TENMA GET OFF
TO SUCH A DOUGH
START IN
MAHJONGS...

YEAH...

THIS IS
STRANGE...

RON!

AND MOVING
INTO THE
SECOND
SESSION,
HONGSOU'S
OFFENSE
ONLY CON-
TINUED.







I AM ABLE
TO MEMORIZE
AND RECOGNIZE
THESE TINY
MARKS.

HOWEVER, THE TILES
ALL HAVE TINY, UNIQUE
MARKINGS ON THEM
THAT APPEAR NORMALLY
OVER THE COURSE OF
GAMEPLAY.



I ASSURE YOU,
I HAVEN'T
MARKED THE
TILES OR ANY-
THING OF THE
SORT.

HA-
HAH



THAT'S
NOT
POSSI-
BLE
...!!

WHAT'D
HE
SAY
...?!



HUH
...?!



...THEN
I DON'T
HAVE A
CHANCE
OF WIN-
NING...!



...AND IF
HE CAN
TELL WHAT
ALL THE
TILES ARE
BY THEIR
BACKS...

BUT IF
IT'S
ACTUALLY
TRUE...





...BUT
THEY'RE
MAY TOO
SMALL TO
BE SEEN
FROM ALL
THE WAY
ACROSS
THE TABLE

THERE
ARE
LITTLE
MARKS
ON ALL
OF THE
TILES
FROM
GAME-
PLAY



WHAT THE
HECK IS GOING
ON...



LARGE MARKS

IF HE WAS
USING GANPAT,
THERE WOULD
BE LARGER
MARKS ON THE
TILES TO LET HIM
SEE THEM
FROM THAT
POSITION.

(GAMPAT IS USUALLY "MAIN TILES" - A LONG TIME (EXTENSIVE) BETWEEN THE RAIDS OF TILES ARE MARKED SO THEY CAN BE IDENTIFIED WHILE FACE-DOWN.



...I COULDN'T
FIND ANY
DISTINCTIVE
MARKS.

BUT NO
MATTER HOW
MUCH I LOOKED
AT THE TILES,
IN MY HANDS
AND UP CLOSE









WAIT...
HOLD
ON...!

IT WOULD
HAVE TO
BE...



LIGHT!





THAT'S
JUST
PLAIN
DIRTY!



TH...
THIS
GUY...!



BUT
SADLY,
IT'S TOO
LITTLE,
TOO
LATE.



HAH-HAH...
SEEMS AS
IF HE'S
FIGURED
IT OUT.



THERE'S
NOTHING
TO TALK
ABOUT!

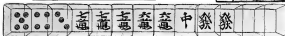


AND RIGHT HERE
AT THE END, I CAN
STILL TELL WHAT
EVERY TILE IN
YOUR HAND IS
FROM JUST
A GLANCE!



THIS IS THE SOUTH
FOURTH ROUND OF
THE SECOND
SEASON. THE
FINAL ROUND.

TENMA'S HAND, AS IT APPEARS TO HONGSOU



AND WHEN
THEY ENTER
HIS OPPO-
NENT'S
HAND, AND
THE LIGHT
SHINES
UPON THEM

...
MARKS THAT
CAN ONLY BE
SEEN FROM
DIRECTLY
WHERE HONGOU
IS SITTING.



AND WHEN
THEY ENTER
HIS OPPO-
NENT'S
HAND, AND
THE LIGHT
SHINES
UPON THEM

... MARKS THAT
CAN ONLY BE
SEEN FROM
DIRECTLY
WHERE HONGOU
IS SITTING.



MARKS SO WELL
HIDDEN THAT THEY
PASSED A VERY
THOROUGH
INSPECTION.

Diagram illustrating a 12-cell domino layout. The top row shows a sequence of tiles: ②, ④, ③, 七, 七, 七, 六, 六, 中, 發, 發, 白, 白. Below this, two arrows point to a second row of tiles: 六, 七, 七, 六, 六, 中, 發, 發. The first three tiles in the second row are numbered (六, 七, 七), and the last three are labeled (中, 發, 發). The middle two tiles (七, 六) are unlabeled.

BUT EVEN SO, THE LIGHT ONLY SHINES IN ONE DIRECTION, SO THE ONLY TILES HE CAN SEE ARE THE ONES IN MY HAND.

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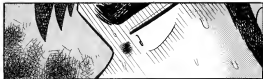
SO THAT'S WHY HONGKONG WAS AFRAID OF THE DAY ENDING... IF THAT HAPPENED, THE TABLE WOULD BE COVERED WITH SHALLOON!



A close-up of a hand placing a domino on a table. The table is covered with a patterned cloth and has several dominoes already on it. The hand is wearing a white glove.



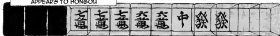
BUT THINKING ABOUT IT, IN A SHORT ONE-ON-ONE MATCH LIKE THIS, THAT'S ENOUGH





NOT
'TIL
I'VE
GIVEN
IT MY
ALL!!







HE
DEALS
WHAT
HE
DRAWS!



THE
10TH
TURN



...AND COULD
HAVE TAKEN
A STEP TO-
WARDS JED-
ANKOM!

IF HE HAD KEPT
THAT 3-4-5
MAN SEQUENCE,
HE COULD HAVE
PASSED THEM UP
WITH THE SET
HE'S COVERING



HIS
DECISIONS
BACKFIRED!



HAH-
HAM-
HAM

RIGHT AT
THE END,
TENMA'S
INSTINCT HAD
ABANDONED
HIM.



A
3-4-5
PIN
BAP-
DABE

TENMA NO
LONGER HAS
A CHANCE
OF WINNING!

AFTER
COMING SO
FAR, THAT
DECISION
WAS FATAL!



HONSOU'S HAND



RIICHI!

AND
HERE'S
THE
CLIN-
CHERY!

HUU-
HU-
HU...







THESE
THREE
TILES
HAVE
CHANGED!

THAT'S
RIGHT!



THEY THEN
DEAL IT!

TO AN ON-
LOOKER, IT
WOULD APPEAR
AS THOUGH THEY
SIMPLY DEALT
WHAT THEY
DREW.

WHEN THEY
PICK THE TILE
OUT TO DRAW,
THEY SWITCH
THE TILE THEY
HAVE PALMED
WITH THE TILE
THEY JUST
DREW.

IN IT, THE
USER FIRST
PALMS A
TILE IN
THEIR HAND
AS THEY
GO TO
DRAW.

TEN-
MA'S
SECRET
TECH-
NIQUE...
THE
DRAW
SWITCH
FAKE-
OUT!



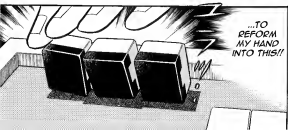
IN JUST
THREE
TURNS,
THE HEA-
VENS AND
EARTH HAVE
SWITCHED
PLACES!

I CAN
FEEL
IT!

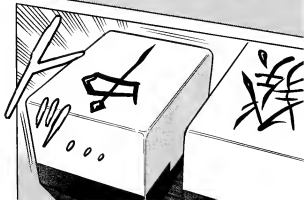
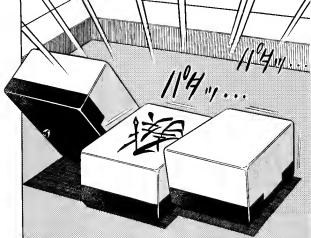


BUT THANKS
TO YOUR
ARROGANCE,
I WAS ABLE
TO PULL IT OFF
WITHOUT A
HITCH!

IT'S A
SIMPLE
LITTLE
TRICK...



...TO
REFORM
MY HAND
INTO THIS!!



**A
DIRECT-
HIT
DAI SAN
GEN!!**

**TEN-
MA'S
COME-
BACK!**









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*CLEANED BY
BIGGUMS*

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Atsuize Tenma!

第3話 CHAPTER 3

天馬vs.赤池

TENMA VS. AKAGI





THE AKI
FAMILY'S
APARTMENT







PATHE-
TIC.

JUST AS I'D
ANTICIPATED...
YOUR EXCUSE
FOR A HOUSE
IS SO TINY
AND
CRAMPED
...



HON-
SOU
...P!

HUH...



PRE-
CISE-
LY!

YEAH, YEAH,
WHADDAYA
WANT?! YOU
GONNA
CHALLENGE
ME AGAIN?!



AKACH,
GET IN
HERE



I'VE COME
TODAY TO
PUT YOU BACK IN
YOUR PLACE...
CRUSHED
BENEATH MY
SHOES!!









CARNAGE,
HATRED
NOW
EXIST IN
THIS...

THE AUGMENTATION
OF THESE
LOATHESOME
THOUGHTS



AND RAISED
FROM LATER-
TATION OF
THE SOUL
NO LONGER
OF THIS
WORLD.



AND WITH
THAT STICK,
THESE THE
WILL COME
TO THIS.



A RED
RICHI
STICK...!

AH
...!



ONE RICHI STICK...

EMBODIMENT OF
CARNAGE AND
ILL WILL THAT
LIVES THROUGH-
OUT THE
AGES IN ALL
MEN



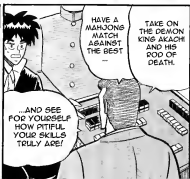
THINE HAND SHALL BE COMPLETED WITH THAT TILE.





MANZU...?!











YOU WANT
MONEY?
I'LL GIVE
YOU
MONEY!

HAHAHA...



DON'T
YOU HAVE
ANYTHING

C'MON,
ASSCH!

...SOME
KIND OF
TRICK TO
GET TENNAI
TO PLAY
JUST ONE
MATCH?



JUST HOW
FAR DOES
THAT KID
THINK HE
CAN PUSH
ME?

THAT
LITTLE
BRAT!



YOU CAN
HAVE
WHATEVER
YOU WANT
IF YOU
GET HIM
TO PLAY!!



WHEN MEN ARE
FILLED WITH
HATRED AT A
FORCE THAT
THREATENS
THEM...

THEIR
VIOLENT SIDES
EMERGE FROM
DEEP INSIDE
TO FIGHT
AGAINST THEIR
KNOWN
AGRESSOR.

VERY GOOD...
THEN PLEASE
LEAVE IT TO
ME.













THOU SHALT
APOLOGIZE TO
HONORU, HERE,
FOR ALL THINE
BUDNESS UP
UNTIL THIS DAY.

IF, AS WILL
HAPPEN, THOU
DOEST LOSE
TO ME...

VERY
WELL.

THAT'S
IF
YOU
WIN!!



YOU'VE
DONE IT
NOW, YOU
OLD
GEEZER!!



SO LISTEN
UP, YOU
SENILE
BASTARD!!

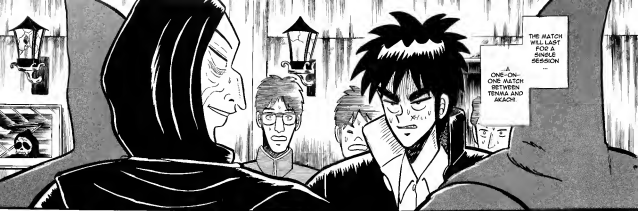
BUT DON'T
YOU FORGET
WHAT'LL
HAPPEN IF
I CREAM
YOU, INSTEAD!



...AND
STOMP IT
INTO
DUST!!



I'M GONNA
TAKE THAT
RICHIE STICK
YOU'RE SO
GODDAMNED
PROUD OF
...



THE MATCH
WILL LAST
FOR A
SINGLE
SESSION
...

...
ONE-ON-
ONE MATCH
BETWEEN
TENMA AND
AKAHI.



AKA-
CHI'S
TURN



IT IS
NOW THE
EIGHTH
TURN OF
THE
EAST
SECOND
ROUND
...



...AND IF IT
REALLY DOES
...



HE SAYS
THAT USING
THAT RICE
STICK WILL
GIVE AN
IPATSU
TSUNO
EVERY
TIME...

THAT PREDICTION
OUT OF NOWHERE
THAT YOU'D GET
AN IPATSU TSUNO
WAS REALLY
OUT OF THIS
WORLD...!



...TENMA
WON'T BE
ABLE TO
WIN!

...NO
MATTER HOW
DETERMINED
HE IS...



...BUT DOES
TENMA
REALLY
STAND A
CHANCE
AGAINST
THIS GUY
...

HEY, I
KNOW HE'S
TRYING HIS
BEST TO
HELP HIS
SISTER AND
ALL...

...A MESSENGER
MORE POWERFUL
THAN ALL OF THOSE
IN THE ASURA
REALM* SWOOPS
DOWN AMONGS
THE LIVING...

• AT THE
HEIGHT OF
THE POWER
OF DARKNESS

100



REACH'S 1-4
MAN TENPAI



THE
ROD
OF
DEATH
...!!

THERE
IT IS
!!



WHAT
A JOKER!



RIICHI!!

*ASURA REALM REFERS TO THE BACKSTORY CONCEPT OF A LEVEL OF THE AFTERLIFE IN WHICH "GHOSTS" RESIDE.
ASURA, AND THE "GHOSTLY" THEMSELVES, IS ASSUMED THAT IT THE BACKSTORY OF THE MAIN CHARACTERS, WITH ASURA BEING THE
REARER OF THE MAIN CHARACTERS OF THE MAIN CHARACTERS.





AND THEN, FOLLOWING THAT, AKACHI MADE A DISH USING HIS GOD OF DEATH IN THE EAST FOURTH ROUND, AS WELL.



HE PULLED OFF ANOTHER IPPATSU TSUKU!

AGAIN...!!

BUT... HOW...?!



KHU-KU-KU...





THIS MAKES
THE SECOND
... NO, THE
THIRD TIME
HE'S DONE
IT...!

ANOTHER
IPPATSU
TSUMO
...?!



IT REALLY
DOES HAVE
SOME KIND
OF DARK
POWER...

IT'S LOOKING
LIKE THERE
REALLY IS
SOMETHING
ABOUT THAT
RICH KID...



I JUST CAN'T
WARP MY
HEAD AROUND
HOW HE KEEPS
GETTING THESE
IPPATSU
TSUMOS
EVERY TIME
...!!

IT'S
NO GOOD...



KHEI-
KU-
KU
...

THINKING ABOUT
IT A BIT MORE
CALMLY, THERE'S
A COUPLE THINGS
OFF, HERE.



THERE'S
NO WAY
I'M GONNA
FALL FOR
HIS STUPID
STORY!

CALM
DOWN

NO
STORY



THERE'S NO NEED
TO HOLD IT BACK...
HE SHOULD BE
PLAYING IT A LOT
MORE.

IF IT'S
REALLY
THAT
POWERFUL



THAT TWO
NUMBER
ONE

THAT'S
AWFULLY
STRANGE, EVEN
BY ITSELF.

FOR STARTERS, WHY
HASN'T HE BEEN USING
THAT STICK IN EVERY
ROUND?



BUT
STILL



...AND MORE
THAN THAT,
WHY IS IT
ALWAYS THE
TIE ON THE
END OF THE
TOP ROW...?



...IT'S
ALWAYS FROM
THE WALL IN
FRONT
OF HIM...?



AS FOR
NUMBER
TWO, WHY
IS IT THAT
WHEN HE
DRAWS HIS
IPPAKU...



THERE'S NO WAY FOR HIM TO HAVE STACKED HIS WINNING TILE THERE.

EVEN SO, HE DIDN'T SET UP HIS WALL... IT WAS SHUFFLED AND PUT TOGETHER BY THE AUTOMATIC TABLE.



AH...!



THERE'S BEEN NO SIGN OF ELEMENT OF HAND... BUT THEN AGAIN, THERE'D BE NO REASON TO DO THAT.

WHY STACK A WINNING TILE THERE WHEN YOU COULD JUST WIN OFF OF IT IN THE FIRST PLACE?



...ONE HAS MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO TOUCH THE TILES IN THEIR OWN WALL!

IN THE GAME KNOWN AS MAHJONG ...



JUST THEN, TENRA REALIZED IT FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME.



NOW, FINALLY,
THE SOUTH
FOURTH ROUND
— THE
LAST ROUND
OF THE
MATCH!



IN JUST A
SINGLE ROUND,
THIS TENPAI
CHILD WOULD
NEED A
RUNEHAN TO
CHANGE THE
TIDES

IN THIS, THE
FINAL ROUND,
THAT GAP WILL
BE SUFFICIENT
TO MAKE ME
COMPLETELY
SAFE.



AKACHI
HAS A
20,000-
POINT
LEAD.



HUZZAH!
MY WILL
HAS
TRIUMPHED!

AKACHI REACHES
TENPAI



THE UNDERWORLD
HAST OPENED
FOR THY SOUL.

THINE
FATE, MY
CHILD, HAST
NOW BEEN
SET IN STONE
...



HE'S GONNA
MAKE
ANOTHER
SPATSU
TSUKOMI!!!

IT'S
OVER
...!!!

OH NO
...!!!



THERE
IT IS
...



RICH!!

AKACHI'S 2-MAN WAIT!



HIS
2-MAN
WAIT
...!!!



IT'S
HOPE-
LESS
...!!!

AKACHI
NEEDS
ONLY
A 2-
MAN!!





AND NOW,
MY VIC-
TORY IS CER-
TAIN!



TENMA...
WITH THIS,
MY DRAW,
THY GRAVE
SHALL BE-
...





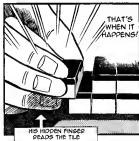
MY...
MY
DRAW
FAILED
...?!

IT'S
NOT THE
2-MAN
...?/?!











I LURED
YOUR
ROD OF
DEATH
INTO
MISSING
ITS
MARK!



IN
OTHER
WORDS
...



HOWEVER,
THOUGH HIS
RECOGNITION
WAS MOST
DEPT, HIS
EXECUTION
WAS TOO
SLOW!

THIS BOY IS QUITE
THE COWLEY YOUTH
... TRULY WISE
BEYOND HIS YEARS.

I
JUST
CON-
FESS



I SEE

HMM



DO NOT
ALLOW THAT
TO ESCAPE
THINE
SIGHT!

MY
RIGHTFUL
PLACE
ABOVE THEE
SHALL STAY
STRONG



...AND
20,000
POINTS
DIVIDE
US,
STILL!

THOU
KNEWEST
WELL,
THIS IS THE
FINAL
ROUND...



BYE!



MY WIN
IS STILL
IN PLACE!

WHAT'S MORE,
MY 3-MAN
WAIT IS STILL
ALIVE!



IF THOU
CANNOT
PRODUCE A
HANDMAN,
THY VALIANT
EFFORTS
CAN ONLY
DIE IN VAIN!





AND WITH THAT,
YOUR ONLY
WAY OUT
HAS BEEN ALL
USED UP!



NO MATTER
HOW MUCH YOU
WANT TO, YOU
CAN'T CHANGE
YOUR WAIT
ONCE YOU'VE
CALLED IT.

CALLING RICHIE
IS ALWAYS A
DOUBLE-EDGED
SWORD.







THE
ONLY
PATH
YOU
CAN GO
DOWN,
NOW...



TENMA'S
HAND

...IS THE
PATH OF
DESTRUC-
TION!



KAN







THE ROD
OF DEATH IS
BROKEN TO
PIECES NOW...
WHICH
MEANS...

...THE
CURSE
HAS BEEN
UNLARGED
ON YOU!



OPEN
YOUR
EYES!



hahh
!



IT WILL
HUNT YOU
UNTIL THE DAY
YOU DIE!

YOU'LL
NEVER BE
ABLE TO
LIVE IT
DOWN!



ALL THAT
DARK HUMBO-
JUMBO IS
WAY TOO
WEAK..

CURSES,
DESERT-
MENT,
CADNAGE
...



BUT MY
MAMONG
SELL IS STILL
AS HOT AS
IT'S EVER
BEEN

SORRY TO
BREAK IT
TO YA,



HON-
GOU
...

SO, HOW
ABOUT
THAT...



...THE
POWER
OF
LIGHT!

...WHEN YOU
PUT IT UP
AGAINST



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